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Dear Ms. Campbell:

Thank you for your telephone call of today's date. In response to your call, we reviewed the referenced application and confirm that the application is not directed to subject matter requiring a sequence listing. Rather, the application is directed to new compounds. A sequence listing is not necessary to support the claimed invention and, therefore, a Notice of DO/EO Missing Requirements ("Notice") in connection with a sequence listing would be inappropriate.

For the record, we never received or have any record of ever having received the Notice from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. In view of the circumstances, the application should not be abandoned for failure to respond to the Notice.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if we can be of further assistance to you in this matter.

Sincerely,



John M. Genova